GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

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PRODUCTION OF GROUNDNUT
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the production of groundnut has declined in the country;

(b) if so, the State-wise production of groundnut during each of the last two years; and

(c) the steps taken to encourage production of groundnut in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD Y. NAIK)

(a): The production of groundnut has declined during the year 1999-2000 due to drought like situation in major groundnut growing States as compared to the production during 1998-99.

(b): State-wise production of groundnut during the last 2 years is given in the enclosed annexure.

(c): In order to increase the production of groundnut in the country, a Centrally Sponsored Oilseeds Production Programme (OPP) is under implementation. Under the programme financial assistance is provided for various inputs by way of subsidies to the growers in order to motivate them to take up the cultivation of groundnut on a large scale.

ANNEXURE

STATE-WISE PRODUCTION OF GROUNDNUT DURING THE LAST TWO YEARS i.e. 1998-99 and 1999-2000.

(000 TONNES)

STATE/UT	1998-99	1999-2000
ANDHRA PRADESH	2155.0	1119.9
BIHAR	6.1	6.4
GOA	2.5	2.2
GUJARAT	2577.8	717.5
HARYANA	1.1	0.7
HIMACHAL PRADESH	0.4	0.4
JAMMU & KASHMIR	-	-
KARNATAKA	1192.1	791.0
KERALA	7.0	5.4
MADHYA PRADESH	267.5	252.8
MAHARASHTRA	633.6	545.2
NAGALAND	3.0	3.6
ORISSA	72.2	72.6
PUNJAB	5.0	6.0
RAJASTHAN	362.0	264.0
TAMIL NADU	1569.8	1884.6
TRIPURA	1.7	1.7
UTTAR PRADESH	84.8	94.9
WEST BENGAL	37.9	39.6
PONDICHERRY	2.1	1.9
ALL INDIA	8981.60	5310.4